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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF JULY 6 SONNA REPORT ON HOUSE DELEGATION'S RETURN FROM BERBERA AND JULY 5 AUDIENCE WITH SIAD.

A. QTE THE 19-MAN U.S. DELEGATION RETURNED HERE THIS EVENING AFTER TOURING THE NORTHERN PORT OF BERBERA.

B. QTE THE DELEGATION WHICH INCLUDES EIGHT CONGRESSMEN WAS RECEIVED LAST NIGHT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SRC JAALLE MAJOR GENERAL MOHAMED SIAD BARRE.

C. QTE JAALLE SIAD ASSURED THE DELEGATION THAT NO FOREIGN MILITARY BASE EXISTS ANYWHERE IN SOMALIA, ADDING THAT THE SOMALI NATION WILL NOT EXCHANGE THEIR INDEPENDENCE AND DIGNITY, WHICH THEY WON THROUGH LONG AND BITTER STRUGGLE FOR ANYTHING ON EARTH. HE SAID THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC IS OF THE OPINION THAT FOREIGN MILITARY BASES IN ONE'S OWN LAND UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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IS DANGEROUS FOR WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY.

D. QTE JAALLE SIAD WENT ON: WE ARE TOTALLY AGAINST FOREIGN BASES ANY WHERE IN THE WORLD. THE PRESIDENT ADDED THAT SOMALIA IS COMMITTED TO COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING AMONG ALL NATIONS IN THE WORLD.

E. QTE JAALLE SIAD EMPHASIED TO THE DELEGATION THAT SOMALIA IS NOW ENGAGED IN FIGHTING THE THREE ENEMIES OF MANKIND WHICH ARE HUNGER, IGNORANCE AND DISEASE.

F. QTE THE HEAD OF THE AMERICAN DELEGATION, MR. SAMUEL S. STRATTON, IN REPLY, HOPED THAT THE VISIT WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

G. QTE THE DELEGATION WHICH WAS ACCOMPANIED ON ITS TRIP
TO BERBERA BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SRC'S SOCIAL COMMITTEE,
JAALLE COL. ABDIRASAQ MOHAMOUD ABUBAKER, AND THE COMMANDANT
OF THE SOMALI NAVY, JAALLE MOHAMOUD GHELLE YUSUF, BOTH SRC
MEMBES, ARRIVED HERE YESTERDAY FOR AN INSPECTION TOUR OF
BERBERA TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES THAT NO SOVIET MILITARY BASE
EXISTS IN THE PORT TOWN OF BERBERA. UNQTE.
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